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## Bell Hops Proving Fun — BELL Now Being Composed

### Three Held To Date

That wonderful M.B.A. Key Club has given two marvellous Bell Hops since Santa Claus made his last trip. Handsome boys sold cokes and made the evenings simply super.

There were huge crowds at both parties and some of the O.A.O.s present were: Lovely, Martha Evers; blonde, Tiny Calvin; cute, Ree Duncan; prexy, Lillian Dobson; adorable, Margaret Hayes; unexplainable, Jane O'Callahan; pretty, Mary Sue Miller, beautiful (just ask S. or E. or ... ?) Jane Wilkerson, entertaining Madolin Reynolds, exciting Beth Blackard. (It runs in the family), enticing Penny Creighton (also characteristic), and ——— Joyce Garrett.

Of course the usual social lion's (vocabulary thanks to Mr. Sage. To you they're just plain wolves.) were on hand.

We're expecting all these on hand to help make the next Bell Hop a super duper affair.

Already in the planning stage is the highlight of M.B.A.'s social activities the Spring Formal—more about that—later.

Also being planned is the stunt night. Just as last year the five forms—grade school—freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior will present skills.

The prize offered will again be a half-holiday. Last year the juniors won with the freshmen close behind.

### Snow Hits Campus . . . So What?

The first arrival at M.B.A. on Monday morning, Jan. 31 was our beloved headmaster. Second to enter the sacred for sale was Ernest Franklin in response to the Head's queries about his difficulties in getting to school our friend Ernest simply said that it was a bit cold. Whereupon Mr. Sage decided that since neither Ernest or himself had had any trouble getting to school the remainder of the student body should experience no difficulty.

After the somewhat delayed (much to the dismay of Mr. Cornelius' split-second schedule) first bell Mr. Sage informed the student body that only in the case of four or five feet of snow would school be dismissed for a day to facilitate the digging of tunnels between buildings. However, this column would take this opportunity the caution against hasty decisions to remain away from school unless the individual student is telephoned by a member of the faculty.

### Sharp, Cantrell Win Books

The history classes have been given Time current affairs tests. These tests, sponsored by Time, are designed to cover all the events of the day. Every student has an equal opportunity to win. As an award time offers a choice of books to the winners. The tests are given several times a year. Winners of the most recent one are Vernon Sharp and Dick Cantrell.

### Bell Ringer To Choose Four Girls As Class Representatives

Every great man in history has been backed up by a woman. Or so someone once said. Even if success is not based on women, every so often a girl does come in handy. For the reason the Bell Ringer is sponsoring a poll to determine four girls to act as representatives for the four high school classes. These girls will have their pictures printed in the Bell Ringer. Next month the Freshman class will publish their selection to be followed by the Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors in following issues. Any girl

who is now attending high school may be elected to represent any class. In electing the girls this procedure will be used: Only Freshmen can vote for the Freshman representative; Sophomores, for the Sophomore; etc. The vote is to be written out and turned in to Dick Cantrell. Since the Academy has an honor system it is presumed that no one will vote more than once. All votes for all representatives must be in before February 28. Please tell which representative you are voting for.

### Blackburn To Head Maroon Rifle Team

This year, Nashville has set a precedent by forming an Interscholastic rifle league under the sponsorship of Youth Incorporated. The new loop, consisting at present of thirteen Nashville and Davidson County high schools, was termed by YI director of marksmanship, Captain Frank B. Hill, the only league of its kind in existence now. Now, through the courtesy of the Nashville City School System, indoor rifle ranges at East, West, and North will be available for shooting, and, after it's completion, an outdoor range at Youth Incorporated's country place. The league will eventually consist of three clubs of eight teams each, if enough entries are received from local high schools. In turn, each team will consist of five boys, with about five alternates to round out the squad.

As in other sports, members of the squad must be fairly proficient in studies to remain eligible for competition, and a faculty sponsor will be appointed to coordinate this activity with the school program. At M.B.A., Mr. Blackburn will act in that capacity. Practice sessions will take place weekly, with West High's range to be used by M.B.A. instructors, under the supervision of Captain Hill, are to be supplied by Youth Incorporated; Captain William E. Melby, Sergeant Luther Johnson, and Sergeant Louis

Perry, all of the U. S. Marine Corps; W. A. Barnett, William Bryant, and Dr. R. P. Miller. All of these men have had long experience with firearms and are recommended by the National Rifle Association as being qualified; in his years of experience Captain Hill has won dozens of medals and trophies and has recently refereed several important rifle and pistol meets. Rifles are to be supplied so that boys without can still enjoy the sport.

M.B.A.'s hopes for honors lie chiefly with such crack shots as George Smartt, Bill Blackie, Lem Stevens, Vernon Sharp and Ernest Franklin. State Junior Trap Shoot Champion for the past three years who is expected to help the Maroon cause with a rifle instead of a shotgun. However, as tryouts are to be conducted on a handicap basis with inexperienced boys given a better chance, the squad's ten spots are wide open for anyone who will apply himself.

Rifery is a sport which teaches sportsmanship and coordination of the mind and body; it can be enjoyed for a lifetime; and, unlike most sports, it's physical requirements are not too stringent. With these attractive features, it seems quite probable that the new league is headed for success.

—JIM BRENT

### Alumni News

During the glorious month of December and the Christmas vacation I had a chance to see many of M.B.A.'s fabulous alumni. For instance Bill Howard and Tommy Goodloe were home from V.M.I. Both of the boys look exceptionally well. Tom Kennedy and Bernard Werthan have nothing but good things to say about M.I.T.

Also here for the holiday season were Jake Wallace, Ed Nelson and Bill Bailey. These boys have been residing at the University of the South, where they say there is a scarcity of girls.

The party of the season was indeed Neil Cargile's New Year's Eve blowout; such charming gentlemen as Al Whitson, Greasy Frieron and Davenport Mosby.

### STRAY THOUGHTS

Harry Corson is the lover of the month. Just ask him; he'll tell you. The Alumni of the month is Sid Keeble, who lent the slot machine 15 dollars—too bad, Sid.

### And the Band Played On . . .

### Fess Rule Directs As Glee Club Organized

The 49 edition of the Glee Club is already practicing five numbers. "I'm Falling in Love With Someone," "My Heart Stood Still," "Danny Boy," "Begin the Beguine," and "Night and Day." (I love you truly, Mr. Rule.)

The club is shaping up fairly well and should be ready to present their first program.

M.B.A. is planning another stunt night. Last year's being a huge success with all the classes trying to win the half holiday offered as a prize. So be thinking about a good play for your class. It's rumored that the seniors (last year's winners) are all ready writing their script.

Price, Creighton, and Sharp head a committee appointed by the seniors to take Gilbert Templeton for a ride. Joe Erwin has been working on his part for almost two years. (How is it up on that later Joe.)

### Bottom O' the Afternoon

By BLUE LARUE

Vacation ends: Sad, sobbing notes sober up for sojourn back to slavery.



Holiday News Items . . . Local florists go bankrupt as many students loaf for pay before Christmas. While carol singing, Bob Wilk learns that "Pistol-packing Ma-

Blue LaRue is not a Xmas carol . . . Bouncing Bob Dornar hits on Number racket. T.H.P. budget climbs out of red; J. G. receives lush Xmas gifts . . . "Vacuum-lips Horn insists that variety is the spice of life. Classes eight different girls on New Year's Eve.

One of his satisfied customers, says: "Oh, girls, (sigh) try Horn; he's wonderful!" . . . Daughter of notorious interior decorator invades New Year's Eve party . . . Dick Cantrell joins Thorpe as second member of C.T.D., Inc. (More commonly known as "Campus Tours after Dark.") . . . Numerous combines compete in Xmas tree racket. Gang war prevails. Certain clown-about-school screams in jail: "I ain't gonna pay off the time, Judge!" . . . Local belle (?) plays firewoman at New Year's Eve party. Coca-Cola proves embarrassing to Senior v.p. . . . Bill (Wait a minute, Dear, the candle blew out.) Blackie hosts holiday Black-out party. Requests for invitations to next year's affair flood "Lover Boy's" office . . . Bobby Bainbridge makes New Year's resolution: "Hereafter my binges will be restricted to week-ends, so that I may devote my entire attention to staying awake in English class."

Henry (I'd walk a mile to see Sarulu) Fitts says: "While it may be a long way out to Central State, I feel right at home there with all the inmates." . . . Returning lettermen bolster Glee Club. Billy Watts reported a cinch for All-City honor . . . Football team has pictures taken. Lance lands movie contract . . . Certain lads can hardly wait for sorority initiations, can you, Marion? Upon being mentioned for "Most Handsome" honors, F. "Tyrone" McDaniel claims: "I've got so much more than Gregory, why should I try to hide it?" . . . Jarman astounds English class with the statement that men are more emotional than women. Finds proof in two-hour car-stalling episode.

### NOTICE

Because of exams the publication of the paper has been delayed. So we ask your forgiveness. The next one will follow soon. Thanks.

### Informal Snap Due Feb. 15

The selected members of the annual staff, under the supervision of Mr. Sage, recently began work on the 48-49 BELL. The members of the staff have pledged themselves to producing a fine annual to commemorate this year at the Academy. Indeed, the staff is spending a great deal of time and effort to assure the students of the best annual yet.

One of the first objectives in the planning of this year's BELL is originality. The yearbooks of past years have been inspected to prevent needless repetition in makeup and copy.

Heading the staff are Andy Spickard, editor; and Franklin Jarman, business manager. Andy will be assisted by Vernon Sharp, while the feature section will be edited by Moore Milam and Tony Jones; sports will be covered by Tom Watts. In the photographic department, Huston Horn is doing a good job. Clearly the production of an annual is too much work for these few boys; therefore, they will from time to time call on other students to help them.

So that more pictures of a good quality may be had the staff is holding a snapshot contest with a group of prizes amounting to nine dollars being offered for the single entry judged best by the photograph editor and for the largest number of submitted snaps accepted for publication. Especially snaps showing school life—the boys as they work and play—are desired. THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THESE PICTURES IS FEBRUARY FIFTEENTH.

A NEW feature of the BELL this year will be the selection on nine girls as sponsors for all the sports and two each for the BELL and BELL RINGER, to be chosen by the captains of the teams and in the cases of the publications by the Editors and Business Managers. Old features will include the calendar, the sports sections, the class pictures, and snapshots.

### Good Books Fill Library

At the mention of books in the school library all to often the average M.B.A. boy thinks of some dust covered volume concerning some long forgotten subject. This unfortunate picture came about when, several years ago, the shelves contained such works. Since that time these books have been removed; now on the shelves the student can find interesting stories, facts, puzzles—in short entertainment. This year alone 90 books have been purchased, not dull or uninteresting ones but refreshing, entertaining, or instructive ones, the best sellers are included.

In the selection of books for the library, Mrs. Campbell is guided by the requests she receives from teachers and students. If you know of a book you would like to see in the M.B.A. library—tell Mrs. Campbell chances are that she'll order it.

The library is designed to meet two needs—one to help the boys in their work both in school and out; two for recreation. To these ends let us use our library.



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## WHO'S FOOLING WHOM?

By the time the average student reaches M. B. A. so much has been said so many times about the proper attitude toward school that he has developed more or less complete immunity to the subject. At the mention of it his thoughts roam anywhere from a revue of new parking places for the coming week end to memories of yesterday's game at the rack shack, while his reasons for even being at M. B. A. vary from a desire to play football to a liking of the night life of the Academy. Yet, M. B. A. is properly neither an athlete's haven nor a social hang out. It is, stripped of all accessories and glamor, a business proposition: \$300 per annum for an education.

Our same average student is a pretty tight man with the penny, inclined at times to squeeze the eagle for dear life. For a demonstration just watch him at the coke machine. He's still griping about the nickel he lost in it last spring. Yet, his nights are devoted to a variety of things, occasionally including even fifteen minutes of study; his classes have become convenient periods for catching up on much needed sleep; and his study halls are spent in feverish preparation of bigger and better paper wads. In other words, the same boy who mourns the loss of a nickel manages to waste over his high school career a minimum of \$1,200 and, what is worse, four of the best years of his life. His total gain from the Academy has been a diploma and possibly a couple of letters. Not many people live long off that.

The M. B. A. faculty includes the most competent, capable teachers obtainable (try some of the neighboring schools for a few days if in doubt); numerous extra curricular additions have been made to ease the straight swig of education—athletics, key club, guest speakers, glee club, paper, movies, etc. There's nothing hard or impossible about M. B. A. All it requires is a sincere willingness to learn on the part of the student. Studying is not doing someone else a favor; it's getting your own money's worth. Why not take advantage of M. B. A. and give yourself a square deal? It'll pay off in the long run.

## ANNOUNCING A NEW COLUMN

Since time began to record the trials and tribulations of high school newspaper editors, Teacher's complaints have ranked next on the list to those of students. Therefore, in an effort to appease these strict judges and in hopes of enlightening some few of the students to the ideas of the faculty, the *Bell Ringer* is starting a new column "Brickbats and Boquets." This column will simply be the personal views of a teacher on any subject or subjects he or she wishes to write on.

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## Class News

## Grade School News

The population of the eighth grade class was increased, one more when WAYNE BLACKWELL transferred from Woodmont School. We are happy to have him in the S. D. M. (Society of Demerit Makers).

We understand that a city Welfare Committee is trying to get CHARLES BROOKS' Blue Flash outlawed from the highway.

BOBBY NICHOLS is elected as the eighth grade's biggest society man. His ambition is to make as big a splash in society as JOHN JAY HOOKER.

Who will take over the junior school crown as King Demerit Maker? The bookies have favored HOLLIS DERRYBERRY with HAROLD BAIRD and STARKEY DUNCAN following close behind. The team is coached by FESS BLACKBURN and self appointed assistant RALPH WILLIAMS. When we asked a spectator what he thought of the squad he replied, "If you overlook their lousy defense and their equally lousy offense you could rate them a strong favorite to wipe up the floor with Woodmont's third grade girls. One of our reporters asked Coach Blackburn how he felt just before the first game. His answer: "There's no one we would rather beat than the Irish—we've pointed for this game all season, and we don't aim to spoil our undefeated record at this point."

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## Freshman News

Flash! It has been predicted that Harvey Frost will win the Science Medal!

Could that have been Albert Nisley and Harlen Cragon we all saw in the pool hall.

Where did Jimmy Pearre get those firecrackers?

Jackie (Oh! I've got muscles) Duncan has been seen out with a girl lately. Is this Anne Sterry?

BANG BANG  
Mr. Hood was seen running through the halls blasting away with a cap pistol.

With Me every day is ladies day, but with Mr. Hood every day is demerit day. Yes, say Seat and Rhodes, the demerit twins. Somers Randolph is still wondering what hit him. Mrs. Sims says, "With teachers who know Randolph beat it's demerits two to one."

Woo-Woo Willis wins medals and cup in barbell weight-lifting. Yesterday in a press conference Don Ignatz stated that he was prepared to meet Bobby Worral on the field of battle to determine the better man.

## Sophomore News

The pool team has completed another perfect season, so what? But JOE WORRAL, GILBERT TEMPLETON and DILLARD ADAMS have done a swell job of shooting this year, and if you don't believe it, just ask them.

Say, boys, when a good time comes, let's throw a big stag party or picnic or something. I mean the whole sophomore class. It would be fun.

We have just received next year's probable starting line-up of our great billiard squad.

Right pocket—BOBBY RIPPY  
Left pocket—BILL GLENN  
Behind the eight ball—JACKIE JACKSON

Left out—CHARLIE McDANIELS  
Official racker — PETE (You betcha life, buddy!)

Cue stick boy—JIMMY CHERRY

The boy receiving the golden eight ball with three cue chalk clusters was JOHN (precision plus) LYTON for the most balls in spit-ton. During the game he averaged 7½ per rack.

Congratulations to JIMMY RAY playing varsity basketball this year. We're all behind you, Jim. So long you jolly sophomore lads. Of you I'll write another day. And while you're slaving, think of me Searching for something to say.

## Junior News

Back at school once more we find such rugged individuals as Joe Loser, John Adams and Marion Smith daily amazing fellow students with their passionate adventures of the Yuletide season. We would gladly retell a few, but then we like being on the paper staff. Spike Brent too came up with his share of sizzling stories. His house burned down. One person definitely profiting by the period was Tarsan Todd. Says the Ape Man, "Over the holidays I learned to look to the future. I now order by the case."

With exams revolting close many Juniors are anxiously cramming and some eve ntaking books home. Above all worry though is that marvel of learning, John Lytton, who says, "After talking with the Big Man, I find that I am passing three of my classes: two study halls and gym." Few realize that Lytton is also an accomplished lover. He once went with a beautiful blonde for eight years, but then something separated them. She graduated to the second grade.

Currently the hottest thing in town, Lewis Wood is voted school man of year for ability to support four women over holidays.

Warren credits recent slump in geometry to referees. He too has smoked them for years. McDaniel causes sensation in science department. Found to be missing link between man and monkey.

Yours till censor do we part,  
—Nature Boy.

## Senior News

Well! Well! Aren't we the lively lads. We get to come back to M. B. A. after two miserable, unbearable weeks of holidays to hear the Big Man mumble those familiar words, "Five demerits, you!"

Chickey says that there would be less wear and tear on everyone concerned if Mr. S. would have two weeks of school and holidays the rest of the time.

It was too bad they forgot to let Houston Horn out of the dungeon over Christmas. But then no one missed him.

Fess Rule has started his Glee Club. Blackie seen swooning over his own voice. Burch revived after holding a note too long. M. Hayes always told me he could hold his breath three minutes, or am I mixed up with Buzz.

Lovell's feathered hat is the fad of the month. Bomar caught pulling the feathers out of one of his neighbor's chickens.

Creighton was rudely aroused from bed at one the other morning to help Miller push his car out of Betty Ruth's driveway. The battery was run down. Seems as though the parking lights had been left on.

The big question is "Who was voted for what?" 'Tis rumored that Hooker got most intelligent.

Lance agrees with Mr. Younger. Don't go through life half lit. All or nothing at all.

Price scares wits out of grandmother. Say Big Bill, "You got to keep them guessing or they will run all over you."

Gotta hand it to that Fitts boy—been going out to Central State for quite some time and they haven't caught him yet. Fitts has a buddy out there who says he is Napoleon.

Let's everyone keep on supporting the team the way they have been. Buzz Davis was heard to state that he doesn't perform unless he has a lot of spectators.

Blackard says his latest weakness is a compound Fletcher.

## New Ring To Be Selected

In a class meeting the Junior class of M.B.A. voted not to continue the design formerly used by the students as their class ring. This decision is the climax to a long and sometimes bitter controversy that has swept the campus since the early days of this year. The new design is to be a gold, or silver setting to contain a red stone upon which will rest the M.B.A. monogram. As most of the students know the old ring was solid gold, or silver with an elongated monogram in raised relief upon the face. The reason expressed for the change was that a majority of the Juniors felt that the old ring was not in style.

The agitation to change the design of the ring started when a delegation from the Senior class talked to a salesman of the Herff-Jones company who showed them several designs and had a ring made up of a new ring. At first most of the class was in favor of the change, however upon examination of some of the samples and upon more consideration, many Juniors desired to retain the old ring. One of the major points put forth in defense of the old ring was its traditional origin. The design is the product of Mr. Ball, beloved headmaster of bygone year, who also designed the original monogram, and dates back to 1900. Coach Allen expressed his desire that the seniors retain the original ring. Every Senior meeting became a battleground with half the class yelling "Old!" the other half, "New." At last a meeting was called to settle the matter. A vote was taken that a final irrevocable should be taken to choose between the two rings.

After the vote had been counted the old ring had won by a considerable margin. A tentative order was to be placed with Jensen & Jack the manufacturers.

It is here that the Junior class enters the picture. In a meeting with practically no opposition they ousted the old ring. It was also decided that they would order their rings this year instead of waiting until they are seniors as has been done in the past. At this point some of the Die-hard Seniors had a special class meeting called for the purpose of a revote. At the meeting many of the Seniors contended that a revote was impossible because of the previous statement that the last vote was to be final. The record of the former meeting was read and found to state that the last vote was to be final. The meeting threatened to break up in a riot. Then Vernon Sharp, president of the class came forth with a compromise; That those who wish new rings could order with the Juniors and those who want old rings can order them. So it is that this year's Senior Class will be represented by two rings.

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## M. B. A. Hot, Then Cold, Heads For Tourney

### "MAROON HIGHLIGHTS"

By RASCOE DAVIS

What big ears you have, Billy Joe!

Immediately after the Hopkinsville M.B.A. game Billy (Killer) Watts, who stands slightly under five feet and weighs ninety pounds, center, held out his hand and said, "Hi, fella, glad to see you again—I'm Billy Joe Ehrhart, the guy who ran wild against you at Hopkinsville last year. The six feet four former end was agast and according to our reports wandered off muttering something about all a back needing to make him famous is a big foreall.

Hopkinsville cheerleaders at the Bellhop following the M.B.A.-Hopkinsville basketball game "was merely a sportsmanlike gesture, gentlemen," commented Charlie Hawkins in an exclusive interview yesterday. Quite number of the boys such as Charles Blackard, Jack Burch, Lewis Woods, Ernest Franklin and Don Wade (to mention only a few) seemed to have also suddenly developed sportsmanlike attitudes.

Congratulations to Bobby Worrall who successfully anticipated and intercepted the passes of the Hootown team so well that he became one of the main factors in the Kentuckian's defeat. . . to Bobby Lance—unanimously elected by the sports staff the hustling, Star member of the Junior Varsity.

To supplement the three-quarters of an inch of rubico originally put on the tennis courts another quarter inch will be added sometime during April. This is expected to delay spring tennis practice for two weeks.

Fess Blackburn, who is scheduled to be the coach of the newly-organized rifle squad, says he's had more experience with light-caliber paper wad shooters than with rifles. (That's all right, Fess, the boys have shot more bull than bull's eyes.)

It must have been Mr. Sager's lecture in assembly.

His frequent dancing with the squad . . . to the whole B team for holding a West high basketball that had Veach as a center to a six-point victory . . . to Jimmy Morrissey for hitting close to five hundred per cent of his shots in both the Ryan and Hopkinsville games . . . to Inman Fox, who scored five points in less than five minutes against Hoptown . . . to Don Wade for taking such a large number of rebounds off the backboard . . . to the Key Club for selecting such evenly matched teams for the intramurals.

Don Wade has here to fore specialized (despite his height which is less than any of the starter except Worrall) in taking the hall off the backboard and in consistently good, reliable ball handling. Of late, however, he has become a scoring threat which the Maroon's future opponents will be forced to reckon with. In the game against Guthrie, Kentucky Don scored eleven points to cap the high scorer honor for the night. In the game with the Vandy Freshmen he was inspired early in the game and was unable to supplement his total. But according to latest reporter he will be back in shape for the West game.

Excuse Department. . . Had the Maroons been less "right" in their game . . . (sent in by a Guthrie fan) sunk their usual 25 or 30 percent of shots, they would have won the game . . . (sent in by a Guthrie supporter) Had the referee scored less points the Eagles would have been sure to win . . . Any coach's excuse: "We'd win more games if some of the players weren't too interested in every Emily, Lucy and Sue sitting in the stands."

### Football, Tennis Squads Honored At Banner Sports Banquet

A rival newspaper, the Nashville Banner honored both our championship squads, football and tennis, at its annual sports banquet. In addition to honoring the best in football and tennis, the Banner paid tribute to the championship basketball, golf and baseball teams; the most valuable player in the Southeastern and the Intercollegiate league; the outstanding coach in the southeastern; the All-City and All-Middle Tennessee Eleven.

The chief address of the night was made by Red Grange, Mr. Football himself. His talk was

nucleated by numerous anecdotes. In listing the requirements for a good football player Grange stressed two things: desire, and determination—these are the very two words Howard Allen stresses at M.B.A.

A gift of Fred Russell's new book *Funny Thing About Sports* was made to everyone attending. The meal itself was enjoyable from the shrimp to the desert.

After the dinner, Grange, Rouch, and Price signed autographs. Even though the banquet was held by a rival newspaper, the Bell Ringer congratulates them on their efforts.

### Hawkins Heads Maroon Scorer

Charlie Hawkins led the M.B.A. cagers in scoring with Jim Morrissey and Bobby Worrall copping second and third places respectively according to results computed after the M.B.A.-Vandy Frosh tilt.

Hawkins had 157 points for 15 games to net a 10.46 average. Morrissey ran a close second with a 9.8 average and a total of 147 points.

Other results were:

Player	No. of Games Played	Total Points	Avg
Bobby Worrall	15	131	8.73
Chas. Blackwell	14	73	5.21
Bill Coble	14	42	3.00
Stirton Oman	12	34	2.83
Don Wade	15	42	2.80
Carl Gates	14	31	2.21

Hawkins also proved tops in the foul shooting department sinking 17 baskets in 25 tries. Worrall was second with 23 goals for 43 attempts.

Results and averages were:

Player	No. of free Throws	No. of free Shots	Good	Avg.
Charlie Hawkins	25	17	680	
Bobby Worrall	43	23	534	
Chas. Blackard	22	8	363	
Bill Coble	12	4	333	
Stirton Oman	46	16	347	
Don Wade	16	6	275	
Carl Gates	30	12	400	
Carl Gates	4	1	250	

## — The First Five —

**JIMMY MORRISSEY**—Deadly accurate . . . Jim has only now hit his stride . . . one of the members of the fast break team: Morrissey to Worrall to the basket . . . his set shot is one of the most feared in the league . . . famed for his facial contortions and crew cuts . . .

**DON WADE**—Always ready . . . one of the best ball handlers on the club . . . not tall but he generally clears the boards . . . another good man with the set shot . . . always dependable in the clutch.

**CHARLIE BLACKARD**—Tall, good-natured Chuck . . . a better than average shot . . . works well under the boards . . . depend on Chuck to fight for the ball if there's half a chance to get it . . . smooth working.

**BOBBY WORRALL**—Mr. Coordination . . . As opposing players have discovered, the ball is never safe from Worrall . . . fast break artist . . . famous for his crisp . . . lightning speed combined with excellent control to insure the Big Red's success . . . dangerous not only under the basket but anywhere on the floor . . . outstanding defense . . . never lets a man shoot unguarded.

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### Guthrie, West High and Low of M. B. A.'s Basketball This Year

The M.B.A. Maroons officially opened their '48-'49 basketball season on the night of December 10, 1948 when they engaged the combine from Hoke Smith High School, Atlanta, Georgia. Playing at M.B.A., the Big Red rolled up a 43-25 score to swamp the visitors. Maroon Captain Bobby Worrall led the scoring the night as he tossed in 14 points. Chuck Hawkins got 12, and Jimmy Morrissey, 7. B. Tuck and Mendel shared honors for the losers with 7 apiece.

The next team to fall victim to the Red horde was the Peabody Tigers, who went away from the M.B.A. gym with the short end of a 44-24 count on the afternoon of December 14. Only in the second quarter did they manage to score as many points as the Maroons, when both teams got seven. Coach Allen used all fifteen men, and as a result nearly everybody got into the scoring column. Chuck Hawkins led the Big Red with 8. Worrall got 7, followed by Morrissey with 6 and Billy Coble's 5. Maynard and Payne led the losers with 7 and 4 respectively.

On the night of December 17, the Big Red journeyed to Guthrie, Kentucky, where, cheered on by Togy Jones, John Tirril, and the student managers, they dropped their first decision of the year 15-44. The Maroons never got started, scoring 1, 10, and 5 points in the first, second, and fourth quarters respectively. Hawkins got 8 for the losers. For the Kentuckians, Howell got 16; McCormick, 14; and Darke, 10.

Returning home the next night, the Red team again led to superior opposition for the second straight night. The steam-roller offense of the Vandy Frosh was too much for the Redmen as they went down, 37-62. Hawkins was again the main contributor to the Maroon cause, tossing in 14 points. Bobby Worrall followed with 11. Southwood and McChesney got 18 and 15 respectively for the Black and Gold, followed by Smith with 12. This game ended Maroon play for the Christmas holidays.

The Big Red team got '49 off to a good start by taking the T.S. Bronco Busters into camp by a score of 51-23 on the afternoon of January 4. For the third time during the season, every available man played, with high scoring honors going to Bobby Worrall with 18. Morrissey, Hawkins and Oman followed with 8 each. For the losers Biles and Hill got six apiece, and Delaney and Gower got four apiece.

On the night of January 7 came the first game of the year with Father Ryan. The intense rivalry between the two schools gave promise of a close game, but the play of the Maroon team on their home floor gave the Red team a ten-point victory margin as they dented the Irish 38-28. Jimmy Morrissey led the Redmen for the night with six goals from the floor, and Charley Hawkins had five and a free throw. For Ryan it was all Deason. The lanky forward got 13 points or nearly half of his club's production for the night.

Avening an earlier loss at the hands of another Kentucky team, the Big Red ran roughshod over the Hopkinsville, Kentucky five on the Maroon hardwood the night of January 14. With the trio of Morrissey, Worrall, and Hawkins tossing 12, 9, and 14 points respectively through the hoops, the Harding Road club garnered 51-30 victory. High man for the Bluegrass boys was Brown with 8.

The Red Team really rolled the night of January 18 as it swamped the North High Yanks by a score of 84-31 on the M.B.A. floor. Although every man on the Maroon squad scored, Blackard eked out a high honor for the night with 16 points. Hawkins and Morrissey were close on the heels with 15 each. Reasonover contributed 10 of the Northerners' 31 points.

On the afternoon of January 21, M.B.A. journeyed to T.S. for a fray, and came away on the long end of a 60-35 score. Hawkins got 17, Worrall 9, and Blackard 12. The Broncos' main kick was Keller who got 15 points.

The long journey to Whitehouse, Tennessee on the night of Saturday, January 22 was eased considerably by the 60-30 that the Big Red team racked up. Jimmy Morrissey proved to be the hottest thing on the hardwood as he hit for 25 points to lead Maroon scoring in a single game for the year. Brooks, highly touted Whitehouse forward who had averaged 25 points per game, got 18 of the Eagles' points.

January 28 the Maroons cagers continued down the victory trail as they drubbed the Peabody Tigers by a 60-19 count on the losers' floor. Morrissey again led the Red-Clad crew as he got 15. Hawkins and Worrall followed with 9 apiece. The most any one man could muster for the Tigers was 6 scored by Lee.

Saturday night, January 8, the Maroons engaged Lawrenceburg at M.B.A. With every man on the squad again entering the contest, the Red team coasted to a 59-39 victory. Jimmy Morrissey was high man for M.B.A. He got 17, followed closely by Chuck Hawkins with 14. Voss contributed 13 points to the Wildcats' cause. Adams garnered ten points and Smith nine.

On the night of January 29 the gymnasium of East High was the scene of sweet revenge for the M.B.A. team as they downed the Guthrie, Kentucky five by a 41-22 score. This was the same Bluegrass quartet that had given the Maroons a 46-15 licking before Christmas.

Don Wade was high scorer for the night with 11. Morrissey garnered 10. Howell with 9 and McCormick with 7 led the Kentuckians.

The Big Red inauspiciously started February with a 54-31 loss to the Vandy freshmen on the night of February 1. The more experienced Junior Commodores ran all over the Maroon floor in racking up their triumph. Hawkins led the Big Red with 15. For the Golden men was Kardokas with 15 and Smith and Heldman with 12 each.

Don Wade's injury in the Vandy game might hurt the Maroons against Ryan. The Irish are always a hard crew to beat on their

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## Personality Of The Month



WARD LOVELL

Ward Lovell or the Boll Weevil, as he was known as in them thar days, might well be selected as the most school spirit at M.B.A. Although he weighs only 145 Lovell has played end on the varsity for two years always turning in a better than average performance. For his play he has been a member of the Monogram Club since last year.

While at the Academy Ward has been well known for his love of good music, sung the Lovell way. If you happen to hear "Sweeter than the Flowers?" or "Paint My House with Warren Paint" don't look for Milton Estes; look for Lovell.

While Ward doesn't pace the honor roll each week, he does make good grades managing to keep in the passing column.

Aside from his singing and his football, Ward is known by the car he drives. The Boll Weevil has been owning Ford's "right on to 4 year now." His present job is a battleship grey, highly polished coupe, which has won the admiration of many a bicycle owner.

### BASKETBALL

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floor, and the steady guard was just beginning to hit his stride. Storton Oman will probably take his place in the M.B.A. line-up.

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### BILLY PRICE

Actually Bill is a hard working, good student. He does a lot of constructive work for M.B.A. However, unless we made fun of him in our article, he would make fun of us. So read this with a grain of salt. His picture may be seen at the far right.

### BILL PRICE

If you're looking for the most intelligent, best looking most athletic, most everything, you're not looking for Billy Price. On the other hand if you're looking for the funniest, best liked boy on the Hill you need search no further Big Bill is your man.

After he entered the Aadmey in 1944 A.D. (After Da Big Man) and between the times when he was knocked out he held down one of the first string positions on the All-Defeated Microbe team. Between football games he made the honor roll each month.

In his Sophomore year Bill had all the teachers following him around like a cat after milk. Especially Mrs. Campbell was eating out of his hand. He was again on a football team—the Junior Varsity. As second string fullback he and the second string blocking back saw all of the mistakes being made out on the field. It is rumored they once even saw action.

Then in his Junior year he really turned loose. His study hall was the headmaster's desk. He was the playing coach of the Varsity football club. Always made the honor roll. Was elected to the Key Club. Once he even threatened to take over Hugh's job; but he reconsidered at the last moment deciding that the work was too hard.

And now in his Senior year he is really beginning to show promise. In addition to coach, playing first string tackle and seeing that all the players were happy, Billy broadcast the home games over the radio. Some boys are pretty sure that he is a silent member of the Board of Trustees.

He plans to go to college and become an engineer (on a train.) His favorite hobby is wine (vine-cords 1817 or just plain C.V.) women, (anything in a skirt) and song (A Little Bird.)

Ed. Note—Gilbert Templeton, who wrote this article, requests Bill Price to send him a check for \$500,000 dollars as payment.

P.S. His favorite food is rice with beer gravy. His favorite comic is CRIME STORIES IN EVERYDAY LIFE. His favorite sport is eight ball. His hardest subject is reading. His most beloved teacher Mrs. B.

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## JOKES (I Think)

Exams are just like women  
Which is exactly right;  
They ask such foolish questions  
And keep you up all night.

M. S.: "What's the idea of wearing that barrel, Todd? Are you a poker player?"  
Todd: "Nope, but I just spent a couple of hours with some guys who are."

Daffy Nitions (on Mrs. B's exam?)  
Letter: a batch of puppies  
Nerts: doctor's assistants  
Pence: trousers  
Puppet: a very small dog  
Paradox: two ducks  
Acquire: a group of church singers.  
Grudge: a place where cars are kept

Mrs. Seger: "What did your father say when he fell off the ladder?"  
Nancy: "I shall I leave out the naughty words."  
Mrs. Seger: "Of course, dear."  
Nancy: "Nothing."

Mrs. Wade: "You mustn't pull the cat's tail."  
Don: "I'm only holding it. The cat is pulling."

"Are you troubled with improper thoughts?"  
"Now, I enjoy them."

First person: "Dull party isn't it?"  
Second person: "Yes."

First person: "Let's go home."  
Second person: "Can't; I'm the host."

"It must be rather difficult to eat soup with a mustache."  
"Yes, it's quite a strain."

Mr. Rule: "Do you know why a locomotive can't sit down?"  
Bill Ryan: "No, why?"  
Mr. Rule: "Because it has a tender behind."

Mrs. B.: "All bright men are concetied."  
Horn: "Oh, I don't know! I'm not!"

The girls who thinks no man is good enough for her may be right —also she may be left.

Mrs. B.: "Order please." Voice from the back of room: "A chip chocolate milk shake, please."

The head never swells until the brain stops growing.

The reason a dog so many friends is that his tail wage instead of his tongue.

Mrs. B.: "Lance, spell avoid."  
Lance: "Tell me foist de avoid."

What's the use of livin'? you'll die.  
What's the use of lovin'? you'll cry  
What's the use of kissin'? she'll tell.

What's the use of anything? Oh, well!

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